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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

***Reissue Applications***

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the reply under 37 CFR 1.111 filed on May 21, 2002 and of the supplemental declaration filed on June 11, 2002.
  
2. The reply filed on May 21, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because:

Applicant has not fully complied with the requirement in the notice of non-responsive amendment mailed April 29, 2002 which required, under 37 CFR 1.173(c), applicant to supply on pages separate from the pages containing the changes to the claims, a statement of the status of all patent claims and of all added claims (pending or canceled) as of the date of amendment, and an explanation of the support in the disclosure of the patent for the changes made to the claims (see last 5 lines of the office letter mailed April 29, 2002).

Upon complying with the above requirement, the amendments filed on April 10, 2002 and May 21, 2002 will be entered.

Since the period for reply set forth in the prior Office action has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the

corresponding amount of the fee. In no case may an applicant reply outside the SIX (6) MONTH statutory period or obtain an extension for more than FIVE (5) MONTHS beyond the date for reply set forth in an Office action. A fully responsive reply must be timely filed to avoid abandonment of this application. The time for response continues to run from the mailing date of the office letter mailed on October 10, 2001.

3. Telephone inquiries regarding the status of applications or other general questions, by persons entitled to the information, should be directed to the group clerical personnel. In as much as the official records and applications are located in the clerical section of the examining groups, the clerical personnel can readily provide status information. M.P.E.P. 203.08. The Group clerical receptionist number is (703) 308-1148.

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